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| In re Application of: |) | |
| John J. Kenny et al. |) | |
| Serial No. 10/601,745 |) | Art Unit: 2633 |
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| For: System and Method for Increasing |) | Confirmation No.: 8989 |
| Upstream Communication Efficiency |) | |
| in an Optical Network |) | |

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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February 4, 2005

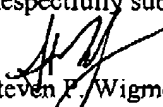
Sir:

The above-identified Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Official Action dated October 4, 2004, to expire February 4, 2005.

Please charge \$60.00 for the extension of time and any additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 11-0980. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

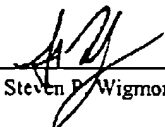
If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0980 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,


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